<u>PATENT APPLICATION</u> IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION SUBMITTED UNDER 37 C.F.R 10116

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Introductory Comments

In response to the Office action dated November 10, 2009, the Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the accompanying remarks.

It is believed that this submission is filed within the shortened statutory period for response and therefore no fee is due. However, if this is in error, please provide any extensions of time that may be necessary and charge any fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 05-0840.

In this Response:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2. Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.